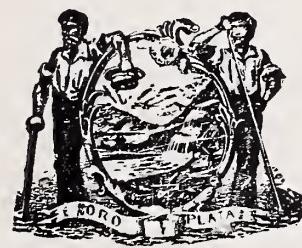


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CLASS MOTTO-----To Try is To Win
Class Flower-----Roses
Class Color-----Red and Blue
Class Song-----The Love of God

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Casper Wolhowe, Superintendent

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK:

One of the real signs of learning is the knowledge a person has of the extent of his capabilities. With this comes confidence and self assuredness—qualities vital to success.

Another real sign of learning is the knowledge a person has of his own limitations. Many of the difficulties we will encounter in everyday life result from failure to recognize such limitations. To overcome weaknesses, we first need to be aware of them. Lest we are so aware we might thoughtlessly let our ambitions exceed our capabilities and, as a result, experience bitter disappointment.

Still another sign of learning is awareness of our potential strengths and what is necessary to develop them. By carefully directing our efforts to fully utilize our capacity for growth, we become more helpful to others as well as to ourselves. As we build our capabilities we lessen our limitations. We thereby become better able to be of service to others which in return will bring more security for ourselves.

Learning is a continuous process to which there need be no end. Now, with the preparation of our Annual and the ending of this school year, let us take account of our strengths and our weaknesses and set our sights accordingly. In this way we can attain the greatest possible amount of usefulness and with it success and happiness in living.

CASPER WOLHOWE.

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STAFF OF S.I.S.

Superintendent	Casper Wolhowe	Nov. 7, 1951
Assistant Supt.	Morris Thomte	March 17, 1952
Business Manager	Merritt Boddy	Dec. 4, 1953
Bookkeeper	Cven Elstad	Dec. 26, 1951
Stenographer	Mary Olson	Sept. 10, 1952
Nurse	Betty Jane Butler	June 16, 1953
Day Deputy and Transportation officer	Charles Stein	May 5, 1952
Night Deputy	James Butler	June 16, 1952

Cottage Parents

"	Mr. & Mrs Hanson	Nov. 12, 1952
"	Mr. & Mrs Hornbeck	June 18, 1953
"	Mr. & Mrs. Miller	Dec. 4, 1953
"	W.R. Chapman	Sept. 29, 1952
"	Sherman Hunt	April 4, 1953
" (Relief)	Mr. & Mrs. Smith	Dec. 17, 1953
" (Night)	Louis Koncil	Jan. 10, 1953
Night Watchman	James Edmundson	May 6, 1953
"	Ross Brooks	June 29, 1953
"	George Bundy	Feb. 15, 1954
Relief Engineer	J. W. Lenhart	Dec. 1, 1951
Engineer	Martin Anderson	July 17, 1951
Engineer	Pat Cunningham	Sept. 1, 1951
Cook	Marie Hanson	Oct. 15, 1953
Assistant Cook	Leland Lewis	Aug. 1, 1953
Dining Room Supv.	Donaldine Lewis	Aug. 1, 1953
Cry & Meat Shop Supv.	James Crawford	Aug. 19, 1952
Laundry Supv.	Opal Crawford	Aug. 19, 1952
Matron	Mary Ellen Fraser	Sept. 3, 1937
Sewing Room Matron	Myrtle Braudy	Sept. 1, 1947
Clerk, Physical Plant	Muriel Cooksey	Nov. 1, 1953
Carpenter	C.P. Frederickson	May 5, 1953
Farm Supv.	Stewart Miller	July 19, 1951
Dairy Supv.	Herbert Eakman	June 18, 1951
Gardener	Coleman Krokker	Dec. 3, 1951
Assistant Dairyman	Henry Miller	Feb. 22, 1953
Teamster	Glenn Waddell	Jan. 1, 1954
Auto Shop Instructor	Orliff McBride	June 15, 1953
Storekeeper	Jerome Cooksey	May 18, 1953
Ind. Art Instructor	Henry Gilbertson	May 12, 1953
Barber	Lawrence Poitra	Oct. 1, 1953

Ass't Coach &
Recreational Director
Business Office Clerk
Assistant Cottage Supv.

David Shanks	March 16, 1953
Ethel Stein	May 5, 1952
Marvin Stanley	Nov. 23, 1953

Teachers

Edna Fitz	Oct. 3, 1944
Helen Hawke	Sept. 1, 1953
Ruth Ryle	Sept. 1, 1946
Edna Thomas	Sept. 1, 1942
Clara Whitney	Sept. 1, 1942
A.W. Ordway	Sept. 8, 1952

INFIRMARY

The sick call for all cottages is between 7:30 and 8:00 every morning. Any boy needing the attention of a physician is taken to the Garberson Clinic.

There is a five-bed ward in the infirmary. Any boy who is seriously ill or injured is hospitalized at the Holy Rosary Hospital.

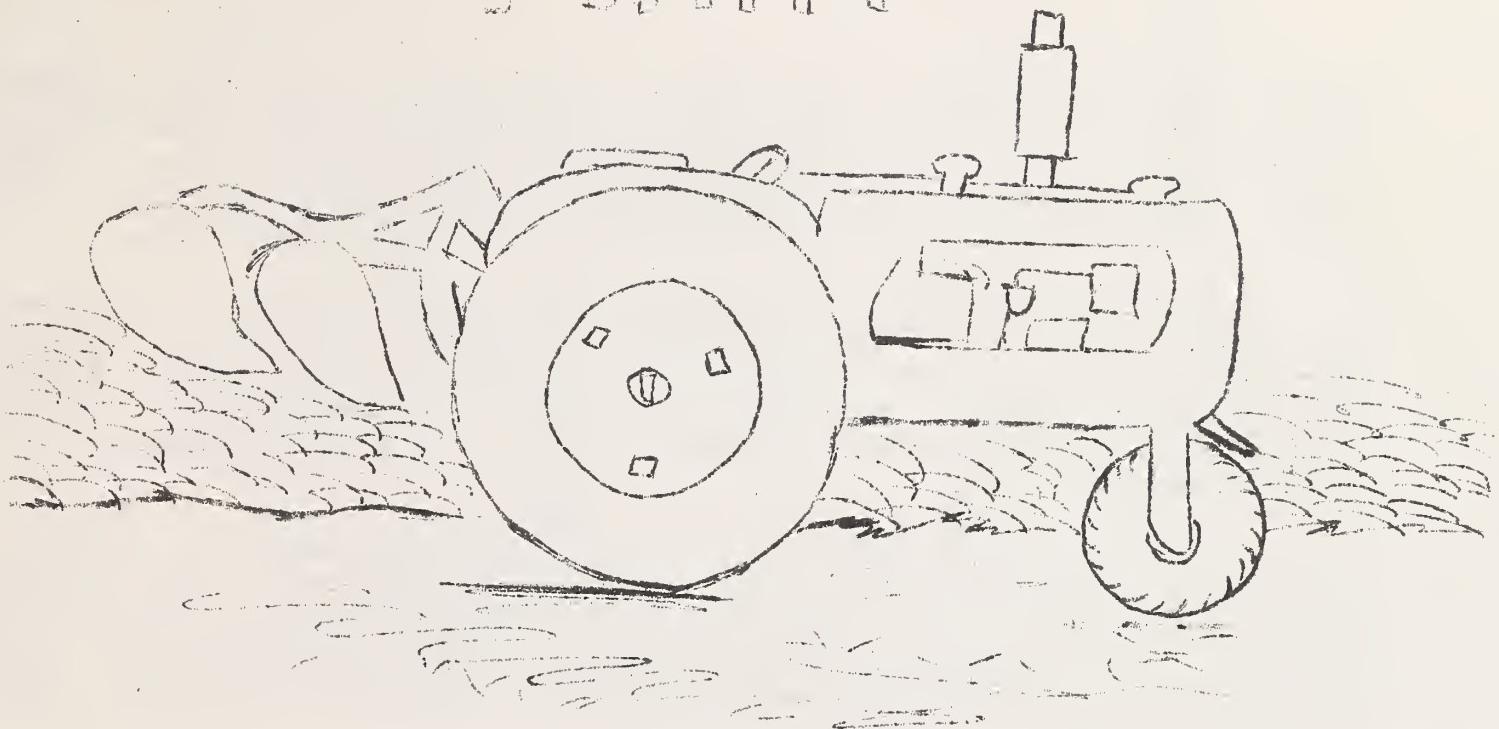
All new boys at arrival, go to the Clinic for a complete physical examination and a small pox vaccination, shots are also given against diphtheria and whooping-cough.

Any boy with a tooth-ache is taken to Dr. Nansel. James Kinyon and Don Smith are having extensive dental work done. Alvin Diaz has a beautiful gold cap put on a front tooth after breaking it by playing foot-ball, and Bennett Reedy got a new set of teeth.

Sprains, colds, and tonsilitis are frequent complaints. In this past year, major surgery cases have been: Kenneth Gardipee, appendectomy; Raymond Pederson, mastoidectomy; William Robinson, osteomyletis following an arm fracture.

Joe Allen and James Luna suffered fractured thumbs, acquired in boxing.

FARM



To operate a farm intelligently, economically, and profitably, it is necessary to have a long-time program in force that will conserve and build up the soil together with adequate housing, good farm equipment and competent help.

We have made quite a bit of progress in the conservation of our soil especially in the land drainage problem that had existed here on the farm for a number of years. We have completed leveling sixty five acres of ground and have another forty acres that will be leveled this spring. The soil conservation service is especially interested in our program and is giving us their full co-operation in all our endeavors. By leveling these fields we hope that our run-off water from irrigating will leave the fields and stop alkali spots. In connection with our leveling we have had our corrals all leveled and have now a surface drainage ditch which carries off all the run-off water which collected in the back areas. A system of border diking will be initiated in above mentioned fields which will contribute to the drainage problem.

In connection with our long time program we have a new pasture which will carry approximately our entire milking herd and some will be available for our hog enterprise. It was our good fortune to establish a pasture early last spring and so far it looks very favorable in that we can turn our cattle out relatively early this spring. Our hog lot has been renovated and a new location has been chosen which will give us access to a new pasture for our hogs for the next few years.

Last May the soil Conservation drilled thirty-seven wells at various places through-out the farm in order to study the under

surface water problem. Every month a reading is taken and recorded in their main office which when completed will give us a complete picture of the water level and in what manner the water flows. The project is not completed at this time but we are looking forward to the time when the results are available.

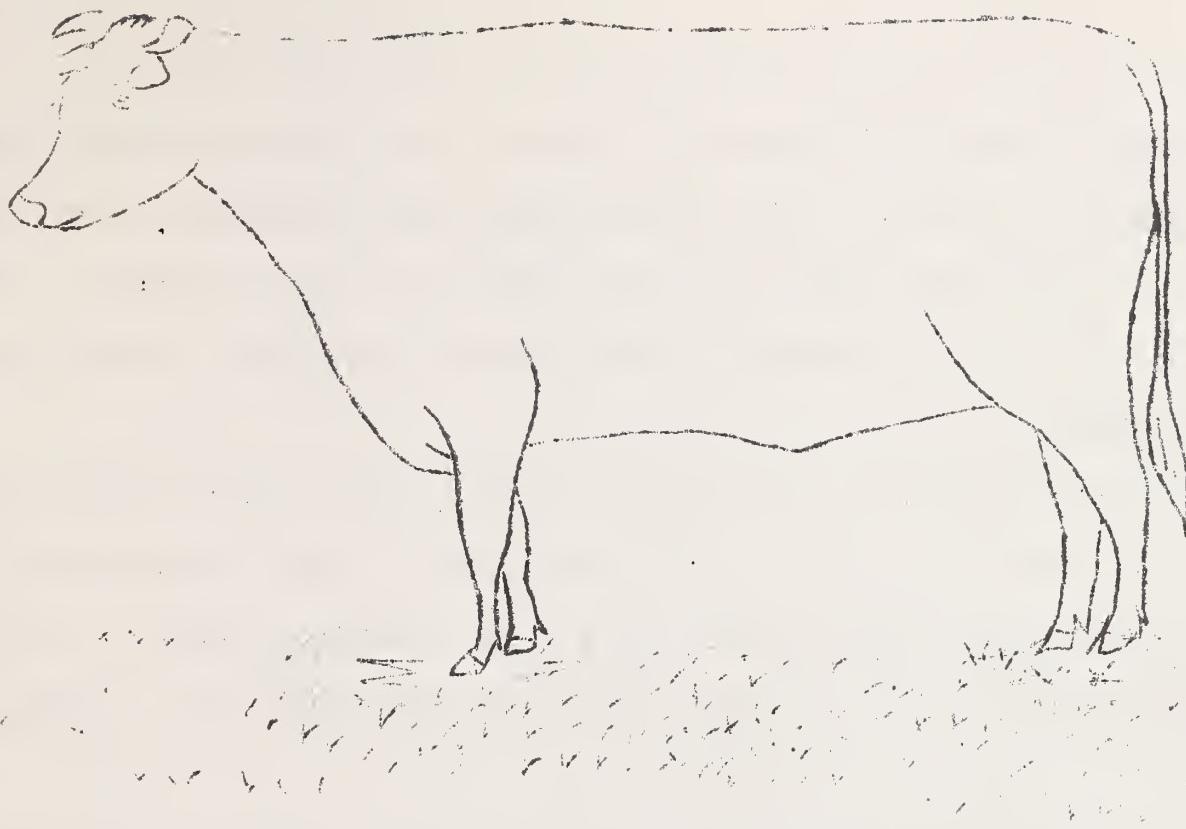
The production of most of our crop is on a steady incline, our corn, barley, and hay production has been better than average. This year we have approximately 200 tons of hay stored for future use this next winter. The feed cost per unit head for all livestock this year has been decreased which is quite an asset to the entire Institution.

Numerous changes have been made in getting more adequate housing facilities for our livestock but many more are still needed in that area, we are short of housing for young stock and chickens. Range shelters are to be built for the chickens and more individual hog houses are needed in connection with a main farrowing house.

The farm equipment is in fine shape and we have a full line of equipment; however, there are still a few odds and ends that are required to complete the farming picture. Most of all the machinery has been repaired by the auto shop this past winter and is in running condition. Some of our equipment has also been painted by the auto shop which makes a very neat appearing piece of equipment.

Some changes in help have been made and this is quite an important issue for the fact still remains that in order to make the progress that we are striving for it is essential to have competent help who not only have the ability to do a specific job, but also be able to instruct and supervise a specific detail. There is a noteworthy change that cannot be over-looked and that is the fact that the personnel here on the farm area have greatly contributed to the behavior and success of each and every boy who was associated with this work.

Stuart Miller



LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE

Many days of planning have gone into reorganizing the farm plan. It was thought necessary that all livestock should be placed under one main division. The name "Livestock Enterprise" was selected after the Dairy, Swine, Poultry and all closely related departments were combined.

The combining of these departments not only makes possible more efficient use of the employees but it provides the boys with a better understanding of each enterprise; the grouping of the division also impresses the continual process of the production to the consumption in the dining hall.

There have been several changes in the dairy among which the most important was the leveling and graveling of the corrals for the proper drainage. While the work was taking place all of the hauling of four hundred yards of gravel, necessary for fill was done by the employees.

The leveling of the corrals makes the cleaning of the cows a much simpler detail. It is also much more sanitary. The completion of this job reduced the need for the large quantity of straw that had been necessary in the past to keep the milk cows dry and clean.

Since the removal of the beef animals, the yearling Holstein heifers and the future beef have been moved to the North Place. The beef animals consist of the cull cows, and the steer calves. This makes possible much needed space for the immediate milking animals.

During the year there have been an average of forty animals milked twice daily. The maximum at any one time in production was fifty-two. Production has been very consistent with approximately 130 gallons of milk per day. We have a high individual record of 22,000 pounds of milk and 550 pounds of fat from one of the older animals in the herd. The average production of the herd as a whole is 10,000 pounds of milk and 300 pounds of fat per year.

As an overall picture, the cows were fed better than in previous years. This was due to a large production of corn and hay in the year of 1953. At present with winter over and the pasture starting to get green, we still have a good supply of hay for next seasons feeding.

The dairy details usually consist of four boys. Their respective jobs are machine milking the cows, and hand stripping and the weighing of the milk and feeding calves grain and hay with milk for the smaller calves.

Since the loss of the farrowing house, by fire a year ago, the Swine department has experienced a few major changes. A detail of boys from the carpenter shop helped to replace the loss of this building by building pens at the North Place. They were hardly completed when the first of twenty-five sows gave birth to twelve little ones. This evidently set the pace for the rest because this continued through January 1954. The final score was an average of nine pigs living per litter.

At the end of eight weeks the first eighty pigs were weaned and sold at the Billings market. The average weight of the pigs sold was eighty-two pounds. They sold for thirty-four cents a pound. This was a top market price for that week. The money from these weaners not only paid for their expense but will feed out the remainder for the school use during the season to come.

The spring litters are to start farrowing the latter part of April. There are twelve sows in this group. It is hoped by all concerned that these will prove as profitable as the previous group.

The poultry department has been confronted with the loss of chickens from three weeks of age continuing through maturity. To obtain the best possible advice at our availability, a poultry specialist was contacted at the State College. He came and made a complete examination of the poultry department. It was then recommended that all the poultry be kept inside because of contaminated ground. At the same time it was suggested that we move the chickens to a location where fresh pasture would be available from the contaminated ground, it has reduced our losses, due to worms, considerably.

This year we have obtained five hundred Leghorns and the same number of Rhode Island Reds. It is hoped that by the time these birds share in production, that necessary changes have been made to provide a higher margin of profit during the next year.

The creamery and the meat house are now combined and are under the supervision of one person. The creamery detail at present is making sixty to seventy pounds of butter a week. It has been difficult with the increase of boys to supply the needed amount at all times. Fortunately we were able to obtain several hundred pounds of "war surplus" butter to help through our shortage. Sixty gallons of milk are used daily in the dining room for the employees and the boys. This amount has been increased from the previous year as milk is served three times daily.

MEAT SHOP



MEAT HOUSE AND CREAMERY

In this last year, the meat house and creamery have had three managers: Mr. and Mrs. Hart, Mr. Waddell and Mr. James Crawford who is now supervisor.

In the last month a large amount of slaughtering, both of beef and pork has taken place.

The boys working with the meat are Virgil Malloy and Frank Harris. Kenneth Herman works in the creamery with aiding him by doing the pasteurizing. Lard is rendered once a week.

Eddie Barock was dismissed recently. He had been working in the meat house for several years.

The plans for the future in the creamery includes the

purchase of a mechanical ice cream freezer, and a cottage cheese vat. This will provide another much-needed finished product from the dairy division.

Now that the freezer and chill box in the meat cutting room are working properly, it produces a more seasonal type of butchering. The animals are slaughtered when in the peak of production, cut ready for serving and stored in the deep freeze. The seasonal supply of pork is now in the process of being prepared for the locker.

Ginn



O D
M A S T E R
P A I N T E R S

Staggs



Show-Offs



Baby Robin

CARPENTER



THE CARPENTER SHOP

The Carpenter Shop has been very active during the past year. We have made all new screen for the windows for the employees' dining room, Kitchen, meat house and creamery. We also built new screen doors for places mentioned above. We also painted a screen-ed-in porch on the Administration Building. We painted the boys dining room, enlarged the serving tables and put in a steamer. We also painted Cottage A.

The old blacksmith shop was moved to the North Place where it was completely remodeled for living quarters. We also built farrowing pens for the broodscows at the north place. Our ace painter, Bill Staggs, has given the Administration Building a new look, having painted all the offices on the first floor, painted class rooms on second floor, and part of the third floor. Cottage E is being painted at the present time. We started keeping the record of jobs we have done. For the month of December we completed seventy-three jobs. In January fifty-three jobs were completed, for February, forty-nine and for March sixty-eight.

The Carpenter Shop boys are as follows.

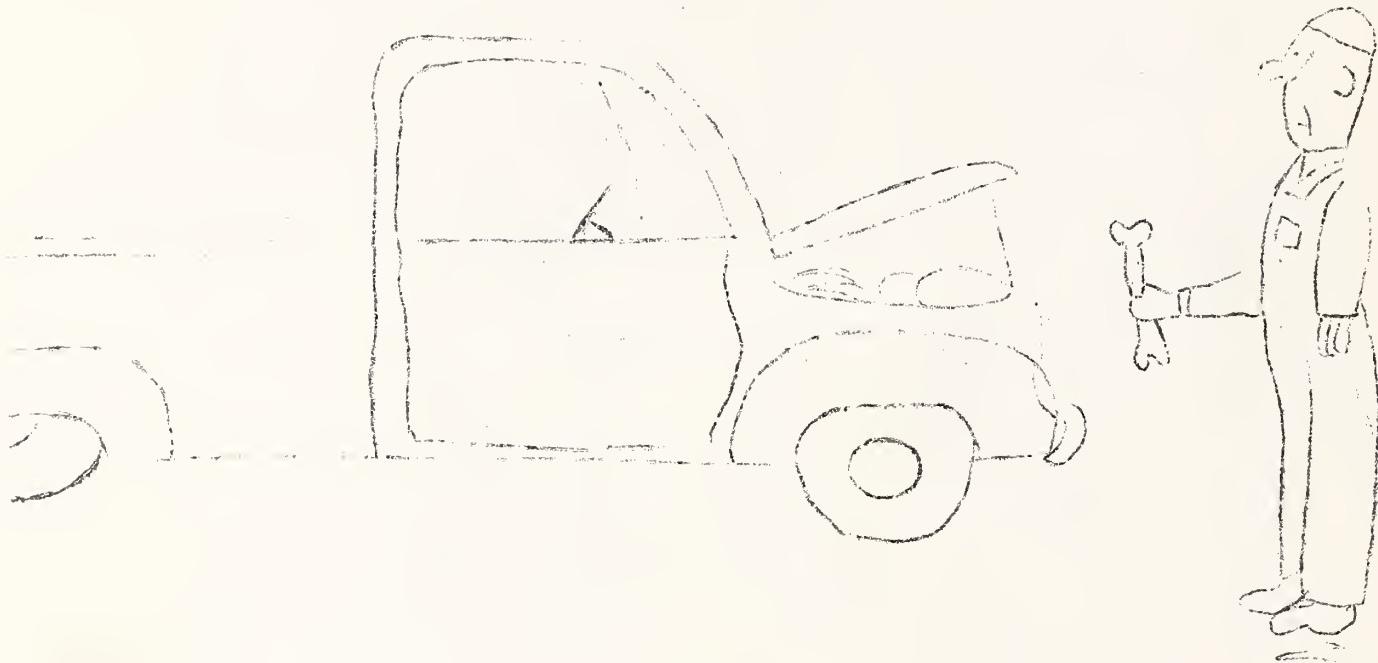
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AUTO SHOP



AUTO SHOP

We have six boys in our auto shop, only one of whom is an all day boy, namely Albert LaFountain, Kenneth Gardipee works from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p. m. when he goes for sports training. Robert (Mouse) Morris comes at 10:00 a. m. for the rest of the day, Eugene Urich, Howard Upham and Eugene Ross come at 3:00 p.m. We have had several boys come and go in the past year. Two from the auto shop have gone to serve our country in the armed forces and we are proud of them.

There is a wide variety of training to be had here. Work is done on internal combustion motors of all kinds, farm equipment, autos, trucks, in fact everything from major overhaul to lubrication and washing.

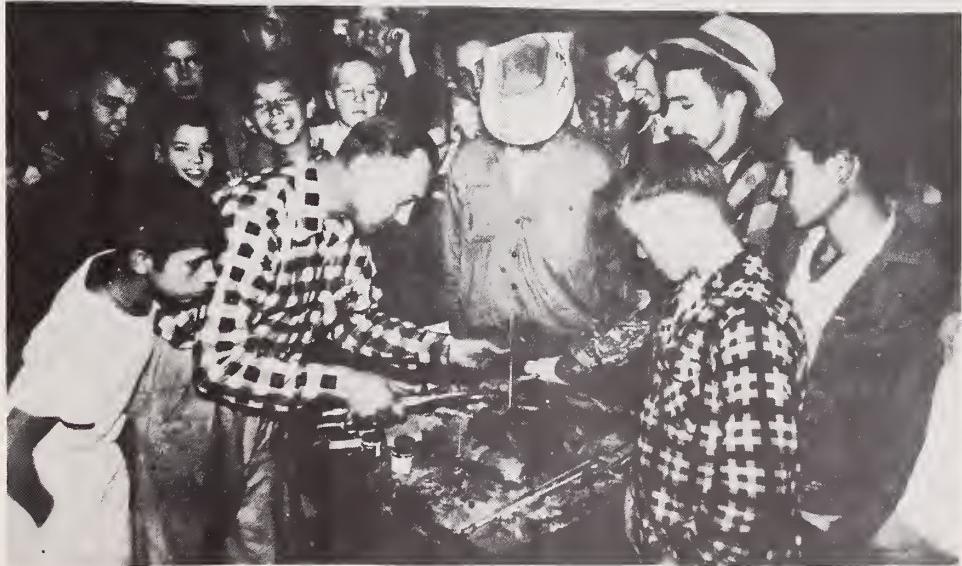
Our biggest "gripe" is, as soon as a boy is proficient he is sent home. However, we are always glad when a boy is dismissed and feel if he is mechanically minded and willing to work he will always be in demand. He can go to almost any location, and find a permanent job. Our best wishes go with these boys.



Cat and "Mouse"



Grease Monkeys



A Demonstration

SEWING ROOM

The sewing room is operating along the same lines as usual, meaning the boys' mending, making sheets, towels and pillow slips. Our biggest problem is keeping the boys in socks.

We also check the contents of all packages received and very seldom find any thing which is prohibited. Most of the boys received new jackets for Christmas.

Myrtle L. Kraudy, Matron

LAUNDRY

There have been four supervisors during the past year. Mrs. Crawford starting on April first. Four all day boys: Jim Merrigan, Richard Bobier, George Perusich, and George Walks-On-Top do very good work. Eddie Brown coming in at 2 o'clock and working till 4 o'clock, helps press and delivers.

The partition has been torn out that divided off a room in the laundry, giving more space for equipment. We have the same machinery as last year, having 2 washers, 4 presses, 1 extractor and 1 dryer.

Mrs. Crawford, Matron

BOILER HOUSE

Several improvements have been made in the house as well as the outside. The smoke stack and the water tank were painted so that they glisten in the sun. The improvement on the outside was small compared to the inside.

Gas for fuel instead of coal was installed. Other work was done in fixing water wells and installing several lengths of pipe which added greatly to the water supply.

We are busy now doing some more painting and washing windows.

Pat Cunningham, Supervisor

KITCHEN

In the past year, there have been many improvements. A new cooler, electrically operated, has been installed in the kitchen. Two new grills have been installed as well as a small cooking range, which furnishes an open flame.

Mrs. Hansen is in charge of the kitchen with Mr. Lewis as second cook. A typical dinner sent out by the kitchen consists of a meat, such as beef roast, pork chops and steaks, potatoes, two or three vegetables, a salad, bread and dessert. Often home-made rolls, pies and cakes are served. The kitchen is kept clean and scrubbed often.

The boys working in the kitchen are: John Keller, Doyle Holt, Gary Stoddard, Douglas Corwin, James Ginn, Raymond Randels and Bobby Pfaff.

Mrs. Hanson, Matron

BOYS' DINING ROOM

In the past year many improvements have been made on the dining room. It has been repainted in two colors, trimmed in tile red. The coffee urn and a steam-table were installed in the dining room for convenience in serving.

Due to construction work on the main kitchen, the employees now eat with the boys. Also added to brighten our dining halls appearance, are white table clothes on all tables.

We have approximately 140 boys and employees eating in the dining hall at the present time.

The five boys that work under the supervision of Mrs Lewis are as follows: Denver Alton, Dewey Stuart, Jerry Morrison and Virgil Miller. George Coon is an all day worker.

Mrs. Lewis, Matron



Dining Hall



Vitamin Plus



Carpenter Shop



Boy Scouts



Dairy Queens



Bible Club

HOUSE FORCE

Mrs. Fraser has been the Matron in the Administration Building for the past 17 years.

She gets five different boys every month to help her clean the class rooms, upper halls, and the rest rooms.

Every morning they have to dust the furniture and clean the lower hall. On Tuesday Morning they count the laundry for all the staff rooms, and they see that all the staff has clean towels and bedding every week.

We wish to thank Mrs. Fraser and all the boys that helped her for the fine jobs they have done in the rooms this last year. We fully appreciate the work you have done.

STORE REPORT

We began working in the Store December 1, 1953. The first step was to take an inventory. This we did. The new store's system requires a perpetual inventory of all store items. We have a card for each item. On each card there is space to record date, quantity, unit cost, and total cost of items when received; the latter is taken care of daily. Monthly a store report is turned in to the main office. In this we give the balance on hand on the first of the month and quantity used and received during the month. This requires grouping of related items under numbers such as all cereals under one number; sugars, syrups, candy, cocoanut, popcorn, marshmallow under another; janitor supplies under another, etc. Food is ordered every 3 months. We turn in our order to the main office. Hardware, etc, is not ordered by us; however, if it is to be a store item, we do receive and check it when it comes. Since the old cards did not always have the price of items, we had to look up the prices.

In the store itself, we have tried to group related items, together, also label boxes of hardware, etc. We need more room to do this adequately.

Each time anyone comes in to get something, we record his order on a duplicate store slip, which he must sign. He is then given the pink slip to keep for his own records.

Another important operation of the store is purchasing certain items locally when needed.

We have a competent boy in the store, part-time, by the name of Rudy McCaslin.

Mr. & Mrs. Jerome F. Cooksey

CONSTRUCTION WORK

Construction of the new Administration Building began in March, 1954. This building which is to be erected on the site of the old "boys building" will be a two-story building of modern design.

On the first floor there will be an up-to-date dining room to accommodate 300 people, a small lounge for employees, and administrative offices. On the second floor above the dining room there will be rooms and apartments for employees. Toward the front, there will be administrative offices including the Superintendent's Office, the Assistant superintendent's office, a Conference Room, offices for two case workers and a Record Room. Underneath the structure will be a full basement with a vault in it.

When this building is finished the "Main Building" will house the school on the first and second floors and quarters will be arranged for employees on the third floor. This will allow consolidation and expansion of the school plant. Removal of administrative offices from the mail building will lessen the traffic and noise in and around the building.

The old carpenter shop with its unorthodox architecture may later become a chapel and auditorium.

Campus



Gymnasium



Cottage F



Kitchen



Cottage D

Cottage E



Office Bldg.
School Area.

Dining Hall



Dairy Barn.



Cottage C

Room 303--Mrs. Pyle

In Room 303 were held the following classes: Algebra, Science, Geometry, and English II. Honor students were Larry Alton in Algebra, Geometry and English II; Russell Mott in Algebra, Montana Alton in Science. Only those taking the subject all year and making a B grade or better the first four grade periods were selected for the honor roll.

Several improvements were made this year in the physical features of the room. Joe Allen painted most of the walls. After that, we decided to refinish the desks. This project took the combined efforts of the 7th and 8th grade Science Class, and in addition some of the high school boys. This project took almost four weeks time, working only in the teacher's free periods. All this was much hard work, but it gave the room a cleaner brighter aspect. Mrs. Kraudy made us some new curtains.

At this writing, we are working on a little project for the Eastern Montana Fair. The Geometry boys are drawing designs, either original or copied. These have to be practiced, then drawn with pencil on poster paper, and then inked. Some are ruined in the making and have to be done over.

We are going to finish our Science textbook, which includes the topics-air, water, fire, rocks, soil, health; machines, and electricity. We study these topics and their relation to us in our everyday lives. We have a few experiments, and the pupils make a written record of the purposes, materials used, procedure, results, and conclusion, this is done for each experiment. The extension library has sent us science books twice this year which are used for special reports.

Our English work is in two parts--the literature and the grammer. We have new texts and the stories most of them seem to interest the boys. Some amount of written work is required. This is to help develop in the individual student the ability to express himself in plain, good English.

The Algebra class has averaged about twelve boys this year. We have not progressed as rapidly as desired, but this is a very difficult subject for some, and we cannot go faster than the entire class can absorb this phase of mathematics.

INTERMEDIATE GRADES

Edna Thomas

Fifteen boys have been enrolled in this room so far this year. Boys were enrolled in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades with others doing remedial work. These divisions called for much individual work with each boy progressing at his own rate of speed.

A new plan of using tables in place of desks was tried out and proved successful. The pupils liked the ideas of more space and freedom.

Our room was made more attractive by a new coat of paint on the walls and ceiling.

The blackboards were painted a soft green. Also new curtains and shades were hung at the windows.

The following boys are enrolled:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hobby</u>
Tommy Carson.....	Swimming
George Yellow Eyes.....	Basketball
Bill Robinson.....	Beading
Gene Urich.....	Mechanics
Leo Crazy Mule.....	Boxing
Bobby Phaff.....	Swimming
James Chilson.....	Baseball
Virgil Miller.....	Swimming
Samuel Vielle.....	Baske tball
Francis Evans.....	Drawing
Allen Drum.....	Drawing
Everett White Eagle.....	Swimming
Gerald Begs His Own.....	Writing
Harvey Maddox.....	Boxing
Emil C. Johnson.....	Baseball

ROOM 302--EDNA C. FITZ

During the year the attendance in this room has ranged from 52-80 boys per day for four class periods.

The classes being held daily in this room are; Junior High School Mathematics and Junior High School Social Studies, High School American History and High School American Government. In addition, we added an art class from two to three o'clock on Mondays and Tuesdays during the second semester. The results of our work will be shown at the County Fair in August.

The nucleus of a new library was begun by gifts of books from the Montana Library Extension Commission. The total number of books has reached the one hundred seventy mark. The Presbyterian ladies of Cut Bank, Montana, have also added an excellent selection of books to our library. The entire school has access to these books. Both high school and elementary school boys enjoy their recreational reading through supervised reading periods. Most boys establish the reading habit before leaving the school. In fact, no greater benefit can be rendered them before returning to their home communities.

During the year, the instructor has administered the Henmon-Nelson Intelligence Test to the entire student body. The Metropolitan Achievement Test and the Standford Achievement test have been taken by all the boys of the Junior High School.

ROOM 301--Helen Hawke

Remedial work in Reading, Spelling, and Arithmetic was added to the school this year. The classes are small so that much individual attention can be given. At the close of the school year the total enrollment in the different classes was twenty-one boys.

We hope in another year many books can be added to our free reading library collection, for much reading assures us progress.

The American Literature Class is composed of both Senior and Junior Class boys.

Besides completing the text book, the boys gave bookreports, biographies, and some original poetry and prose writings were penned. Although these writings may never be published, they furnished us entertainment. Perhaps we share the feelings expressed by Emily Dickinson in her poem, "I'm Nobody! Who Are You?"

I'm Nobody! Who are You?

Are you nobody, too?

Then there's a pair of us--don't tell!

They'd banish us you know.

How dreary to be somebody!

How public, like a frog

To tell your name the livelong day

To an admiring bog!

ROOM 201--Mrs. Clara Whitney

In this room, classes in Public Speaking, Journalism, English, and Language Arts for the seventh and eighth grades are taught. Seventy-five boys enter this room every day.

In Public Speaking, emphasis is placed on the acquiring of speech fluency to be used whenever the situation in business or social life demands it. Speeches have been prepared and given. A debate on "Should 18-Year Olds Have the Vote" was held in the auditorium.

The Journalism Class issues a monthly newspaper, "The Boys Messenger." Every boy has a part in it. Booklets containing varieties of news paper stories have been written and compiled into booklets which will be exhibited at the County Fair.

In the Language Arts, the objective has been to be able to use the spoken and written word correctly and to stimulate the flow of both in a pleasing and effective manner.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT--Dave Shank

In our efforts to improve our Commercial courses everything possible has been done.

At the present time we have thirty boys enrolled in typing during the regular school schedule, but due to the demand a night class was organized with seven or more boys.

The boys taking typing have in most cases shown a great interest, and most of them were able to make the standard requirement of 30 words per minute, with five or less errors.

It would be very unfair not to mention the splendid and extra work done on the paper, and other work by Larry Alton. He has shown a very definite interest in this work and could well

make it a career for himself.

In addition to typing this year a new course is offered to some of the boys, Gregg Shorthand. The boys taking this course have shown a very great interest in it.

It is the hope that in another year one more commercial subject can be added to the curriculum namely-bookkeeping.

In as much as there has been a demand for the male office worker, surely these commercial courses are not amiss in our academic field.

Boys enrolled in Typing:

Larry Belgarde	Lavern Huskelhus	James Kinyon
Van Peterson	Don Lee Smith	Joe Yellow Robe
Clifford White Gow	Gerald Bramson	James Foley
Denver Alton	Steve Barnett	Ed Brown
Glen Parker	Raymond Randels	Bob Zurawaski
Gene Ross	Robert Morris	James Colby
Jerry Morrison	Doug Corwin	Mike Frankovich
Roger Lave	Bennett Reedy	Rudy Mc Caslin
Roger Reynolds	Dewey Stuart	Frank Duthie
Sid Southerland	Russell Mott	John Burright
Larry Alton	Bob Halverson	Terry Flem

Boys enrolled in Shorthand:

Denver Alton
Doug Corwin
Doyle Holt

COTTAGE "C"



COTTAGE "F"



COTTAGE "A"



COTTAGE "E"



Academic Staff



S.I.S. Staff



COTTAGE C

Mr. and Mrs. Bray were house parents when school started. In December they were replaced by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Miller.

During, the year, the boys have had many activities besides school and detail work such as the Christmas and New Years Party the Moose Lodge get-together, the Boy Scout activities and games

In Basketball, Yellow Eyes won a trophy. Many of the boys in Cottage C belong to the Boy Scouts and won a trophy as the result of contests.

Carl Trapp won three medals in boxing.

The boys in Cottage C are:

Allen, Joe	Miller, Virgil
Alton, Denver	Morrison, Jerry
Alton, Montana	Pederson, Raymond
Amor, Jerald	Pfaff, Robert
Begs-His-Own, Gerald	Randles, Raymond
Brownlee, Glenford	Rholf, Donald
Carson, Tommy	Romero, Freddie
Chilson, James	Sieben, John
Damm, Earl	Stokes, Calvin
Drum, Allan	Trapp, Carl
Henderson, Eugene	Trotchie, Raymond
Hines, Jackie	Urich, Gene
Johnson, Emil	Vires, Emmitt
Ivey, Wayne	Weinberger, William
Long Tree, Roy	White Eagle, Everett
Maddux, Harvey	Yellow Eyes, George

COTTAGE A

Mr. Chapman has been the cottage father of Cottage "A" since September when he relieved Dave Shank.

Additions to Cottage "A" in the last year are: a closed cupboard and also an outdoor cabinet for food containers. A two-basin washing sink for dishes is one of the latest improvements. An emergency alarm system has been installed in Cottage "A".

The boys of Cottage "A" have trimmed and removed some trees, trimmed hedges, have done road construction, filled irrigation ditches and waxed the new cottage floors. They have spent considerable time in keeping up the grounds.

COTTAGE E

The boys in Cottage E and D were divided to put some boys in the new Cottage F. At the present time there is no Cottage D. The boys of Cottage E are now living in what used to be Cottage D. The reason why boys are living in Cottage D, is that Cottage E is being re-painted.

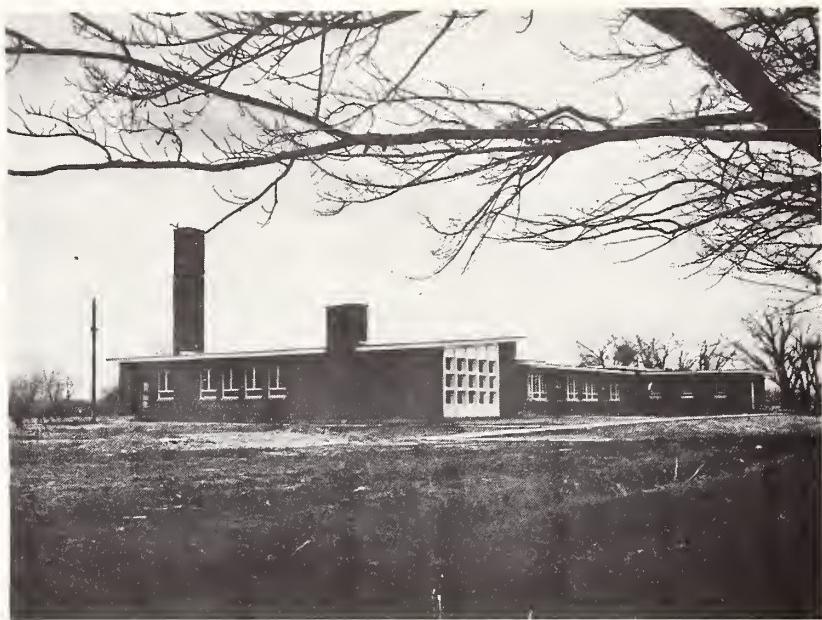
The boys in Cottage E have different details to do around the Cottage. Here is a list of what they have to do:

Dormitory	Cottage Walks	Basement
Dressing Room	Stairs	Walks
Laundry	Class Rooms	Trash
	Houseparents Bathroom	

Every boy has to do his own work. There are 32 boys in Cottage E., which are as follows:

Barnett, Steve.....	School Boy
Boxer, Harvey.....	School Boy
Bramson, Gerald.....	School Boy
Bungard, Ira.....	Farm
Chapman, Charles.....	School Boy
Colby, James.....	School Boy
Daniel, Robert.....	Farm
Duthie, Frank.....	School Boy
Eagle Feather, Oliver.....	School Boy
Joley, James.....	School Boy
Gardiner, Stanley.....	School Boy
Garding, Loren.....	School Boy
Haun, Kenneth.....	School Boy
Huskelhus, Lavern.....	School Boy
LaFountain, Albert.....	Auto Shop
Herman, Kenneth.....	Creamery
Linsey, Elmer.....	School Boy
Lucero, Richard.....	School Boy
Luna, James.....	Farm
McCool, Wayne.....	School Boy
Malloy, Virgil.....	Meat Shop
Mascarena, Sylvester.....	Farm
Montez, Benjamin.....	School Boy
Parker, Glen.....	School Boy
Peterson, Van.....	School Boy
Rusinski, Stanley.....	School Boy
Sharp, George.....	School Boy
Smith, Don Lee.....	School Boy
Staggs, William.....	Carpenter Shop
Stoddard, Gary.....	Kitchen
Weiss, Gary.....	School Boy
Wolvington, Duane.....	Farm

The Cottage Parents are Mr. and Mrs. James Hornbeck.



COTTAGE F

In this year, a new structure, temporarily named Cottage F. has been added to the campus. Thirty seven boys chosen for good conduct have been transferred from other cottages. The house-parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hansen.

The building, located east of Miles City bordering highway 212, consists of one floor with no basement. The building is 186 ft. long and measures 100 ft. at its widest point, that being the end of the sleeping quarters. The cottage is basically fire proof. Plenty of space is provided for storage of clothing, linen and supplies.

Two attractive apartments provide living quarters for the house parents and the relief. Other features are: a large washroom with individual lockers, an independent heating system and the cement and tile flooring. In the day time area are a living room, reading room, and a recreation room.

A serving room is also situated in the day time area and can be used for Saturday evening snacks and Sunday breakfasts.

The sleeping rooms are attractive with soft tinted walls, white beds and many windows for light and air. There are seven individual bed rooms which can be used either for special privileges or as isolation units. The night custodian has excellent supervision over the dormitory sections by his location in the central hallway position.

The building adds much to the appearance of the campus.

Cottage F. Cont.

Alton, Larry-----	School Boy
Brown, Eddie-----	School Boy
Coon, George-----	Kitchen
Corwin, Douglas-----	School Boy
Crazy Mule, Leo-----	School Boy
Evans, Francis-----	School Boy
Flem, Terry-----	School Boy
Frankovich, Mike-----	School Boy
Gardipee, Kenneth-----	Auto Shop
Ginn, James-----	Kitchen
Granot, David-----	School Boy
Greear, John*-----	School Boy
Hanson, Richard-----	Carpenter Shop
Halverson, Robert-----	School Boy
Harris, Frank-----	Creamery
Holt, Doyle-----	Kitchen
Hossack, Charles*-----	School Boy
Keller, John-----	Kitchen
Kinyon, James-----	School & Beacon Filling Station
Mc Caslin, Rudy-----	School Boy
Merrigan, James-----	Laundry
Moore, Edward-----	School Boy
Morris, Robert-----	Auto Shop
Mott, Russell-----	School Boy
Reedy, Bennett-----	School Boy
Reynolds, Roger-----	School Boy
Robinson, Joseph-----	Farm
Ross, Eugene-----	School Boy
Sandman, Robert-----	Farm
Schock, George-----	Farm
Stuart, Dewey-----	School Boy
Upham, Howard-----	School Boy
Vieille, Samuell-----	School Boy
Walker, Gerald-----	Farm
White Cow, Clifford-----	School Boy
Yellow Robe, Joseph-----	School Boy
Zurawski, Robert-----	School Boy

*John Greear is attending Custer County High School.

*Charles Hossack is attending Custer County Junior College.

RELIGION

"CATHOLIC SERVICE"

The Catholic services are held at 8:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings.

Father Gregori conducts most of the Sunday Services. Once in a while Father Anthony substitutes for him and says Mass.

About 50 boys attend Catholic Church, in one of the classrooms, which has been transformed into a chapel.

"PROTESTANT SERVICE"

There is a service every Sunday. The following ministers alternate in holding services:

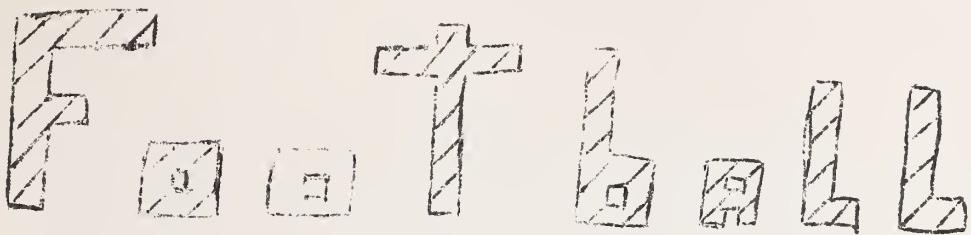
- Rev. C. L. Conklin-----Assembly of God
- Rev. James Hunter-----Methodist
- Rev. Everett Gustafson-Christian
- Rev. Charles Rickman---Baptist
- Rev. Nels Carlson-----Lutheran

At different times the ministers will also bring their Sunday School Classes, or other talented people to assist them with their service.

"YOUTH FOR CHRIST"

Another religious group which is very active on the school campus is the Youth For Christ, a non-secretarian organization. This group under the direction of Ted Bryson and Gordon Mc Clain, usually each month bring some outstanding talent to the school.

While here, Mc Clain and Bryson, usually spend some time counseling with the boys.



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Beaver Squad - 1953-54



Wibaux vs. Beavers



Nils Being Tackled



Warming Up.

FOOTBALL

On September 4th football season started once again for the State School Beavers. They only had six days to get ready for their first game. Coach Bill Ordway, who was here last year took over the honor of coaching the Beavers this year, as they had a pretty good season.

The boys who turned out for the team were: Loren Garding, Al Diaz, James Ginn, Mike Frankovich, Frank Harris, Kenneth Gar-dipee, Bennett Reedy, Russell Mott, Don Miller, David Toaves, Larry Belgarde, Douglas Corwin, Rudy Mc Caslin, Robert Zurawski, and Melvin Cottrell.

Loren Garding was elected captain of the team for the season, as Dick Hanson was chosen to be manager.

The Beavers first game was held September 10, at the State School field. Coach Bill Ordway and the whole school staff did not know what to expect of the team but here was their chance to find out. The Beavers went into the game doing as their coach told them and found out that they could win a game as they took Plevna by a score of 47-27. This alone showed that the Beavers had a fighting chance in the league.

On September 18, the Beavers met a team that was going all the way and they just did that as the Beavers just didn't have what it took to down Ekalaka. The Ekalaka team went ahead to win by a score of 69-6.

The Beaver's next game was here at the State School field. It was against the mighty Hawks from Broadus. Since last year after the Hawks beat the Beavers they were waiting to get revenge.

The time finally came and the Beavers were out to win and did just that. Some say it was the best game of the season as the Beavers went ahead to win by the tune of 14-7.

As the Beavers moved to Rosebud, the entire student body followed to see the game as the Beavers won 26-14. It was a lot tougher game than the score indicates, as both teams put up a good hard scrap.

The Beavers then traveled all the way to Wibaux to take an easy win, but were in for a big surprise as the team of Wibaux was just one point stronger than the Beavers were.

After upsetting the Shamrocks last year the Beavers were up to try it again, but the Sacred Heart team was just too much for the Beavers to handle as they won 51-6. The score doesn't mean much as the Beavers were in there fighting but just couldn't stop the Shamrocks' offense,

The next game was with a team from Terry. The field was very muddy but the Beavers were out there to play their last game of the season only to get beat to the tune of 58-12. It was the last game for the Beavers but they really did well with the material they had as they won three and lost four throughout the season. The starting lineup for the Beavers was as follows:

Frankovich	RE	Corwin
Diaz	LE	Mott
Harris	C	Gardipee
Ginn	LHB	McCaslin
Garding	RHS	Cottrell
Reedy	FB	Belgarde

LET'S DO BETTER NEXT YEAR!

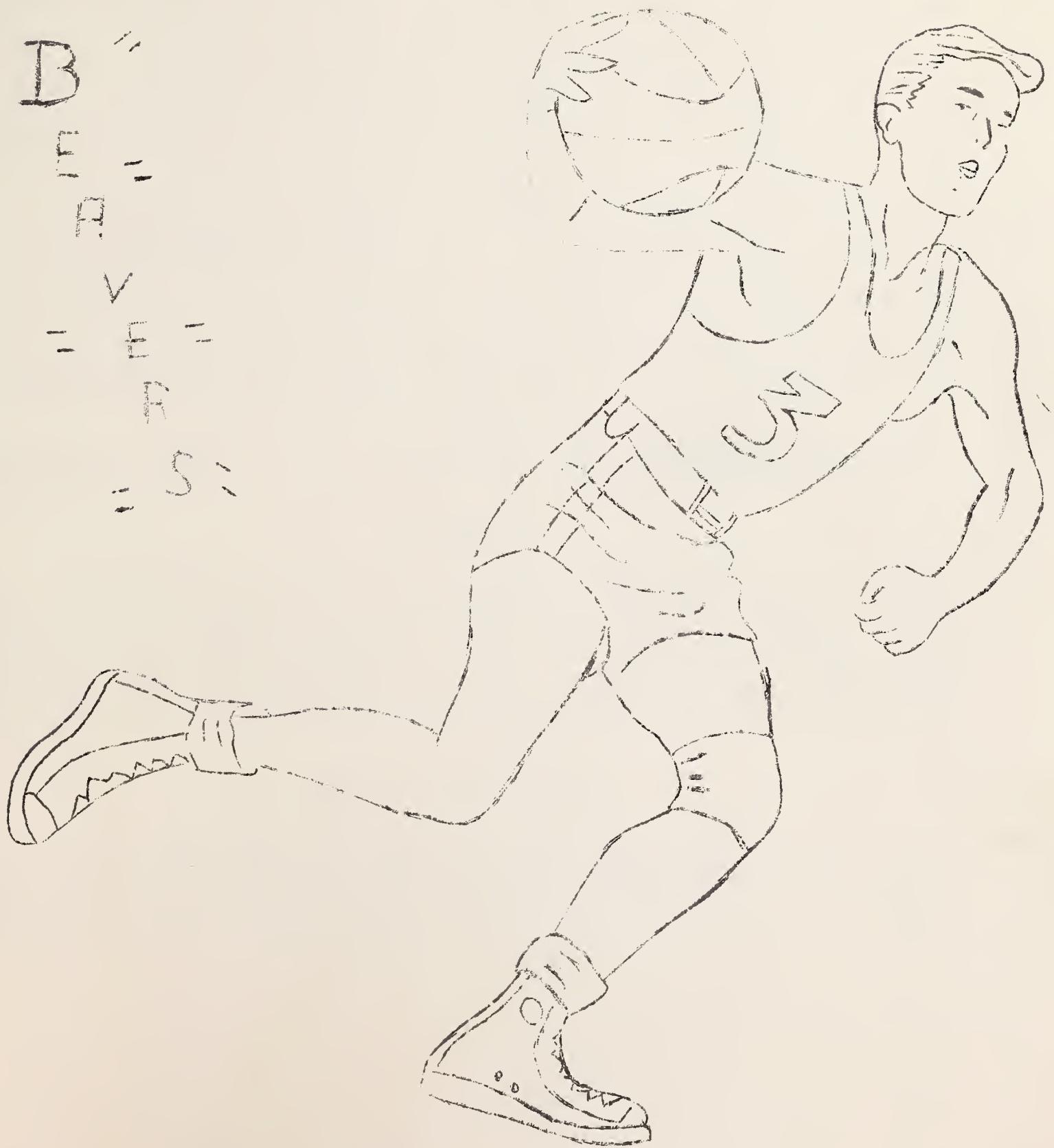
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BASKETBALL

NAME	Field Goals	Free Throws	Total Points
Mike Frankovich	163	71	397
Loren Garding	72	28	172
Kenneth Gardipee	61	28	150
Stanley Gardiner	33	15	81
Bennett Reedy	44	15	103
Wayne Mc Cool	29	29	87
Robert Halverson	8	1	17
Larry Alton	1	3	5
Clifford White Cow	1	2	4
Douglas Corwin	0	2	2

Beavers : 1028
 Opponents: 1142

Coach: "Bill" Ordway
 Managers: Geo. YellowEyes & M. Alton
 Colors: Orange and Black

New Suits

On February 5th the State School Beavers received new basketball suits. They were very surprised to get them. Their color was Orange and Black. The boys with their new suits on, won the first game by beating Broadus. We hope that in the future the boys wearing these suits will win many games. It is something that the boys this year were proud of and wish to thank the people who made it possible for us to get these new suits.

MAKES STARTING FIVE

Every year after the tournament the Daily Star and the sport writers select a team that should never lose a game. This year the team was selected and the State School was glad to announce Kenneth Gardipee was selected as one of the first five. He also took third place in the free throw contest.

BASKETBALL

Games Played and Scores

<u>School</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Where Played</u>
State School	32	Sacred Heart	37	Here
State School	39	Custer "B"	40	Here
State School	54	Broadus	63	There
State School	49	Wibaux	47	Here
State School	33	Terry	63	Here
State School	37	Plevna	87	There
State School	48	Sacred Heart	42	Here
State School	49	Custer "B"	56	There
State School	47	Ekalaka	53	There
State School	47	Custer "B"	49	Here
State School	29	Jordan	41	Here
State School	44	Wibaux	57	There
State School	46	Plevna	45	Here
State School	48	Ekalaka	53	Here
State School	60	Jordan	63	There
State School	48	Sacred Heart	55	There
State School	55	Broadus	31	Here

Class "C" Tournament at Miles City

State School	53	Wibaux	49	Miles City
State School	44	Ekalaka	46	Miles City
State School	58	Wibaux	49	Miles City
State School	47	Plevna	76	Miles City

THE TOURNAMENT AT MILES CITY, MONTANA

Playing before a jam-packed gymnasium in Miles City, the Beavers who were chosen as underdogs in their first game, white-washed the Wibaux Longhorns 53 to 49 to win the first game in the tournament. Mike Frankovich scored an amazing 32 points to break a record in the Miles City Gym. The highest before him was 30 points.

In their second game of the tournament, Ekalaka came up against the Beavers. Just the day before, the State School Beavers knocked off a highly touted Wibaux five and were out to do the same with Ekalaka, and for a while it looked like they would do just that. But the Ekalaka team just couldn't be beat as they went ahead and beat the Beavers by a score of 46 to 44, after the Beavers made a wonderful come back during the second half.

Rallying from their defeat the Beavers went into the consolation round of the tournament. They were to meet the Longhorns from Wibaux once again. The Beavers had knocked out this team once already in the tournament and were out to do it again and did just that as they went ahead and won by the score of 59 to 48.

That night after playing such good games in the tournament the Beavers dropped to their lowest peak in the tournament as the Flevna team went ahead in the opening quarter and stayed there through out the game to win by an easy score of 76 to 47. That left the Beavers walking off the floor with fourth place. They could have won the tournament if it hadn't been for that game with Ekalaka. So next year let's go all the way and take first place.

"B" Squad

Right from the start of Basketball the "B" squad was coached by Mr. Dave Shanks.

Those who turned out for the team were as follows: Cottrell, Corwin, Nilson, Mott, White Cow, Belgarde, Walker, Upham, McCaslin Lave, Flem Huskelhus, Reynolds and Yellow Robe.

During the season two of his boys were moved up to the "A" squad. They were Clifford White Cow and Douglas Corwin.

As his team started out they didn't win many games, but they were learning one of the most important things in basketball and that is experience.

Later on in the season the car space was getting to be a problem and they had to drop several boys from the team. In doing this, Coach Shank didn't have enough for a team so he was given four boys from the "A" squad to help him out. They were Larry Alton, Douglas Corwin, Bob Halverson, and Leo Crazy Mule. In doing this, they made a team that could go out and give any team a bad time. They won over Sacred Heart by two points and gained experience and good sportsmanship. One thing you could say about Mr. Shank's team was, no matter if they won or lost they really showed good sportsmanship and that alone is something to be proud of. We hope to see in the future many of Coach Shank's boys on the "A" squad.



MR. WOLHOWE PRESENTS TROPHY TO ROSEBUD TEAM
STATE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT

For the first time the State School held a tournament at the State School Gym. This was the first time this ever happened and they are planning on making it an annual event. Four Schools played in the tournament. They were Sacred Heart, Custer "C", Rosebud, and State School. When the tournament started, there was no team favored to take the meet, as each school had one month of practice. In the drawing, the State School Beavers picked Sacred Heart and the Rosebud team were picked to play Custer "C".

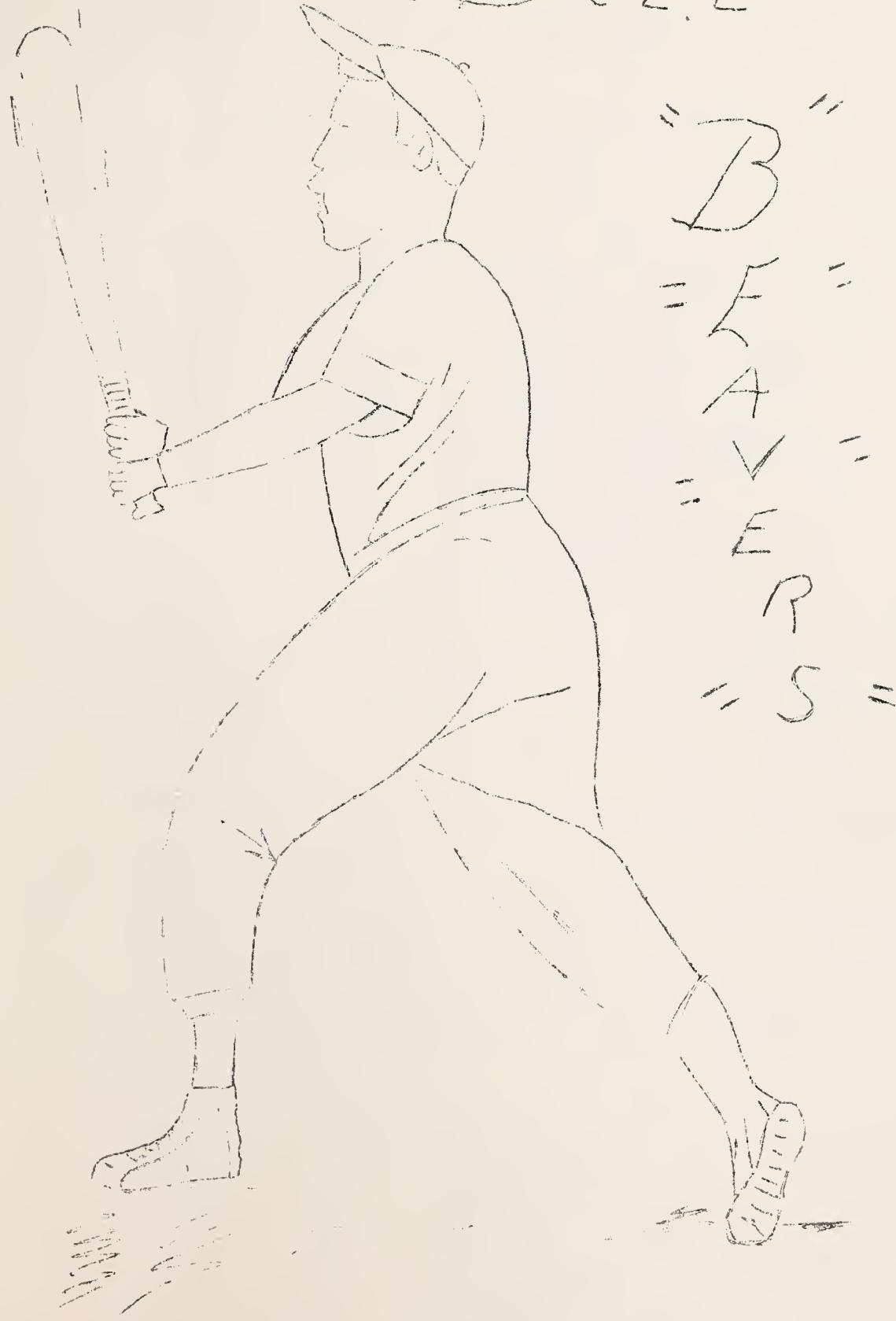
The Rosebud team played Custer in the first game and they took a surprising victory as they took the Custer team by one point. The final score was Rosebud 38, Custer 37.

The Beavers came out to play the Sacred Heart Shamrocks and stayed with them all the way until the final minutes when the Sacred Heart team made two quick baskets and won 36-32.

The Custer "C" team came out to play the Beavers the second night and the Beavers were on the end of the score when the final buzzer went off. The score was 40-39 in favor of Custer "C".

The Championship game was between Rosebud and the fighting Shamrocks. It was the slowest game of the tournament as the Sacred Heart team just couldn't find the basket. The final score was 35-20 as Rosebud was the first team to take the trophy in the State School Tournament.

BaseBall.



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BASEBALL

The baseball season at S. I. S. started April 1, with the following boys reporting to Coach Dave Shank:

Catcher-----Leo Crazy Mule
Pitcher-----Bennett Reedy
 Stanley Gardiner

First Baseman----Mike Frankovich
Second Baseman---Bennett Reedy
Third Baseman----Robert Halverson
Short Stop-----Larry Alton
Left Field-----Clifford White Cow
Center Field----Eugene Ross
Right Field----Howard Upham
 Lavern Huskelhus
Substitutes-----Russell Mott
 Van Peterson
 Douglas Corwin
 Roger Reynolds
 Loren Garding

Bat Boy-----Joseph Yellow Robe

In addition to the above, school boys who reported for practice there were five "all day" boys who are working out daily. They are: James Ginn, Frank Harris, Kenneth Gardipee, George Perusich, and Bill Staggs.

The first game was played at Plevna April 13. The result was 11 to 6 in favor of the Beavers. The next game was played at Terry, April 15. The result was 33 to 17 in favor of the Terry Hawks.

A tentative schedule for the rest of the year is:

April 19th	Custer High
April 23rd	Jordan
April 30th	Plevna
May 7th	Custer High
May 10th	Jordan
May 12th	League Play Off.

BOXING

The boxing season started this year on December 12, 1953. It was coached by Mr. James Butler. The boys who reported out for this event was Larry Todd, Frank Harris, Harvey Maddux, Trinidad Mares, George Sharp, Larry Alton, Virgil Malloy, Carl Trapp, John Keller, Denver and Montana Alton.

The first time the boxing team went up to fight they brought home the team trophy. Carl Trapp, Virgil Malloy, Geo. Sharp, Frank Harris, and Harvey Maddux all won, while the others lost by close decisions. This fight was sponsored for the March of Dimes.

Then came the AAU at Miles City. Their fights were to decide who were going to the State Tournament and who weren't. We had only one boy who went all the way to take his three fights and advance to the State Tournament. His name was John Keller. Larry Alton, Larry Todd, and Carl Trapp was also selected to go to the state tournament at Billings. John Keller won his first two fights and lost his last one by a flip of a coin. Larry Alton won the Hard Luck Trophy.

During the boxing months, some boys received Golden Gloves when they boxed at the Golden Glove tournament in Billings. Larry Todd won the first fight but was too tired to come back in the ring and win the same night.

Trinidad Mares, and Larry Todd went to Sheridan, Wyoming to fight. They both came back the following day with wins on their belt.

The boxing season is now over and most of the boys can't forget the black eyes and the bruises that they received in the ring.

THANKSGIVING BY CHANCE

A Thanksgiving Program was held November 25 at 1:00 p.m. "America the Beautiful," "God Bless America," and "We Gather Together To Ask the Lord's Blessing" were sung by the audience.

A two-act play "Thanksgiving by Chance" was presented by six boys:

Laura-----	Joe Robinson
Henry-----	Loren Garding
Grandmother-----	Dewy Stuart
June-----	John Sieben
Richard-----	Montana Alton
Delivery Boy-----	Calvin Stokes

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Annual Christmas Program was held Wednesday, December 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

The production was "The Littlest Wise Man" and consisted of three acts of dialogue and musical selections. The stage was set appropriately for each act.

The cast was as follows:

Zarah, son of a shepherd-----	Montana Alton
Ramon, his brother-----	Raymond Randels
Shepherds-----	Howard Upham Clifford White Cow Don Smith
Three Wise Men-----	Joe Yellow Robe Russell Mott George Sharp
Their Attendants-----	Carl Trapp Jackie Hines Tom Carson
Angels-----	John Sieben William Wineberger Jean Tomthe
Joseph-----	Douglas Corwin
Mary-----	Ann Wolhowe
Monks-----	Larry Alton Kenneth Gardipee

A Chorus of twenty-five voices furnished the Carols. Soloists were: Jim McGuire, Rudy Mc Caslin, Frank Harris LaVerne Huskelhus, and Joseph Yellow Robe.

SWIMMING

Eddie Brown was chosen to represent the State School in the Swimming meet that was held at the State College in Bozeman. While he was there he placed in two events. He took third in the 100 and third in the 50 yard race. The event was held for three days, the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th of April.

He was coached under the training of Mr. Dave Rivenes, who has coached swimming for sometime. In the future we hope to have several more boys enter this course for it is something that you may need sometime in your life, and it pays to remember, in swimming or whatever it may be, the Life YOU SAVE MAY BE YOUR OWN.

FRIDAY THE 13 th

Dave Shank presented a three-act play on Friday, March 19th in the Auditorium. The cast consisted of ten boys who acquitted themselves in a creditable manner:

Rod Reynolds-----	Hotel Guest
Howard Upham-----	Colored Bellhop
Robert Halverson-----	Hotel Manager
Stanley Gardiner-----	Theatrical Producer
Larry Alton-----	Sailor
Eugene Ross-----	Hotel Guest
Joseph Yellow Robe-----	Hotel Guest
Clifford White Cow-----	House Detective
Bennett Reedy-----	Rich Play Boy
Russell Mott-----	Publicity Man

RECREATION

In September with the assuming of the recreation program, it has been the plan to try and develop a better program. This endeavor has been somewhat curtailed for two reasons: lack of recreation facilities, and an indifferent attitude of the boys. However, we have managed to have a full cottage gym schedule including swimming, and basketball. Boxing was included in this program under the supervision of Mr. Butler. Plans are now being formulated for an all school baseball team for this summer.

The following all school parties have been held and it is hoped more can be: Halloween, Christmas, a belated New Years, also, a Bingo party in February. It was hoped a dance could be held at the school, but being unable to get enough girls this plan has been temporarily abandoned. Many trips have been arranged for individual boys and different groups.

Two Lyceum shows have been presented to the school, as well as the regular weekly movie.

As previously stated the program is weak, but it is hoped it can be improved, and Boys, this is possible a whole lot by your suggestions and co-operation.

Dave Shank



Dinghy



White Cow
Ruds



Doyle Holt
vs
Unicycle



The Expert



HALVIE



Farm Problems



Going
Home



Our Artist



MIKE and MOTT.



"Can Spring be far behind?"



Sunday



A Conference



Meet the Meat-cutters Napoleon Harris



Harry and Jim

NATIONAL GUARD

For the first time in this school's history they have let the boys enlist in the National Guard. So far it has been a complete success.

The first two boys who had the privilege of entering the Company "H" unit was Loren Garding and Trinidad Mares. Since they have enlisted they have had the opportunity to learn how to drive tanks. They both had to take courses on the new radio. The courses lasted for six weeks.

On Jan. 23, 1954 the National Guard held their annual get together of Company "H". Loren Garding and Trinidad Mares had the privilege of going. It was held in the banquet room at the Met Cafe. Everyone enjoyed a buffet style dinner and after that they had dancing and entertainment.

Since Loren Garding and Trinidad Mares enlisted, the following boys were allowed to go in. They are Eddie Baroch, Douglas Corwin, and James Ginn. In the future the boys are all planning on going to Helena, Montana for two weeks of hard training.

The boys are all in Company "H" and in the 163rd Armored Cavalry Regiment. Let's hope that in the near future more boys will have the honor of joining in this Company, and in doing this, can give the people a better opinion of our school.

"YOUTH FOR CHRIST"

About one year ago around March, 1953, the organization of the "Youth for Christ" started working on the boys of S.I.S. to work for the Lord.

During the past year since the "Youth for Christ" started here they have brought various singers to the boys of S.I.S.

On Thanksgiving Day, Ted Bryson and the one and only Gordon McLean arrived here to be with the boys on that special day. They brought John Duff, a singer from Milwaukee.

John sang two or three songs during the Rally Friday afternoon. One song in which every body like was the "Love of God". The Rally also consisted of a film, "Born to Live". John also sang a song that was called the same name as the film.

On Dec. 29-30-31 of 1953, five boys, Lavern Huskelhues, Eddie Baroch, Doug Cowrin, Larry Alton, and Ira Bungard went to Worland, Wyoming on the three day Holiday Jubilee for the Youth for Christ. Dave Shanks took them down and back in his own car

Ted Bryson had brought out to the S.I.S., Herb Tylor in February. Ted and Herb put on quite a program for the boy. They were accompanied by Mrs. Jack Nickolay.

Our Bible Club is sponsored by Dave Shanks. We hold our meetings every Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. We have our president and vice president also. We also have had different ministers come out and talk to us about "Living for the Lord".

BOY SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts at the State Industrial School have been doing quite well for themselves. Since the Boy Scouts was organized here about five months ago, the members have made several trips, and have had some contests.

Shortly after Christmas the boys picked up all the Christmas trees in town. Than that evening they lit a large bonfire with all the trees, and then they had a big dinner at the Legion Hall. The next trip was on the 45th birthday of the Boy Scouts. They decorated several store windows down town, and then they had another big dinner at the Elks Hall.



Mrs. Elstad



Clark and Mex



Mrs. Stein



"Big Shots"



Sunday Best



Reedy



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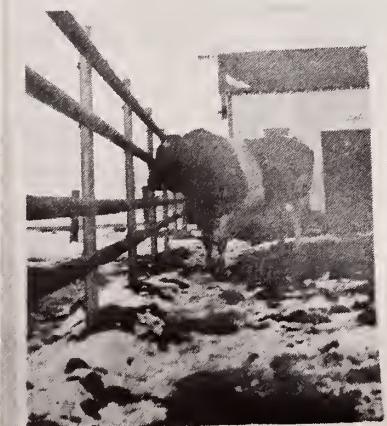
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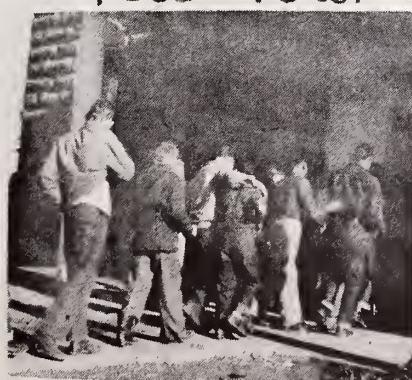
Don't Bite the Hands That Feed You.



Golden Gloves?



Ferdinand



Chow-line



Rest Period



A Tense Moment

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 21, 1953	School opened
September 22, 1953	Rosebud vs. Beavers in football
September 26, 1953	Broadus vs. Beavers
October 2, 1953	Wibaux vs. Beavers
October 16, 1953	Sacred Heart vs. Beavers
October 20, 1953	Rosebud vs. Beavers
October 23, 1953	Terry vs. Beavers
October 31, 1953	Halloween Celebration
November 16, 1953	Voice of Democracy Contest
November 25, 1953	Thanksgiving Program
November 26, 1953	Thanksgiving Vacation
November 27, 1953	Sacred Heart vs. Beavers in basketball
November 28, 1953	Custer "C" vs. Beavers
December 1, 1953	William Harrison retires
December 4, 1953	Broadus vs. Beavers
December 5, 1953	Wibaux vs. Beavers
December 10, 1953	Sacred Heart vs. Beavers
December 11, 1953	Terry vs. Beavers
December 12, 1953	Plevna vs. Beavers
December 22, 1953	Christmas Program
December 24, 1953	Christmas Eve parties
December 25, 1953	Christmas Vacation
December 27, 1953	Mondar vs. Beavers
December 29, 30, 31	Y.F. C. Trip to Worland
January 1, 1954	No Year's Holiday
January 2, 1954	Custer vs. Beavers
January 8, 1954	Ekalaka vs. Beavers
January 9, 1954	Terry vs. Beavers

January 15, 1954	Jordan vs. Beavers
January 16, 1954	Wibaux vs. Beavers
January 22, 1954	Plevna vs. Beavers
January 23, 1954	First semester ends
January 23, 1954	Ekalaka
January 29, 1954	Sacred Heart vs. Beavers
January 29-30, 1954	Boxing at Miles City
January 30, 1954	Broadus vs. Beavers
February 2, 1954	Jordan vs. Beavers
February 5, 1954	Jordan vs. Beavers
February 10, 1954	Custer "A" vs. Beavers
February 12, 1954	Boxing team went to Billings
February 19, 1954	Boxers at Sheridan
February 18, 19, 20	Basketball Tournament
March 19, 1954	Play by S.I.S. high school boys
March 19, 1954	Boilers at Marmarth
March 22, 1954	Baseball begins
March 23, 1954	Entertainment by Jungle Wonders
March 25, 1954	Army and Navy Recruiters speak
March 26, 27, 1954	Boxers at Miles City
March 31, 1954	Boys move into Cottage F
April 4, 1954	Western band entertains boys
April 5, 1954	Youth For Christ gives program
April 8, 1954	Plevna vs. Beavers in Baseball
April 15, 1954	Terry vs. Beavers
April 23, 1954	Jordan vs. Beavers
April 27, 1954	Tick Shots
April 27, 1954	Jordan vs. Beavers

April 30, 1954	Plevna vs. Beavers
April 30, 1954	Youth Day
May 5, 1954	Custer H. vs. Beavers
May 7, 1954	Custer H. vs. Beavers
May 9, 1954	Pine Hills vs. Beavers
May 12, 1954	Play Off
May 28, 1954	Graduation Day

S. I. S.

Graduation Exercises

May 28, 1954

2:00 p. m.

Processional-----Mrs. Clara Whitney
Invocation-----Reverend John Fitz
Solo-----Mr. William Beach
Commencement Address-----Mr. A. W. Elting
Solo-----Jerry Morrison
Senior Address-----Loren Garding
Awarding of Honor Key-----William Ordway, Principal
Presentation of 8th Grade-----Casper Wolhowe, Supt.
Awarding of 8th Grade Diplomas-----Mr. Joseph Muggli
Presentation of Senior Class-----Casper Wolhowe, Supt.
Awarding of High School Diplomas-----Mr. Joseph Muggli
Benediction-----Father Anthony Gregori
Recessional-----Mrs. Clara Whitney

"Seniors"

Loren Garding Kenneth Gardipee
George Sharp

"Eighth Grade Graduates"

Brown, Francis Edward
Evans, Richard A.
Gardiner, Stanley
Hansen, Richard D.
Haun, Kenneth L.
Henderson, Eugene
Montez, Benjamin
First Smoke, James E.
Lindsay, Elmer L.

Pederson, Raymond E.
Robinson, Joseph
Rohlf, Donald C.
Trotchie, Ray A.
Walker, Jerry L.
Weinberger, William C.
Rusinske, Stanley
Cochran, George
Gray, Duane E.

LOREN GARDING — President

Loren Garding was born in Havre, Montana on July 4th, 1934. He spent his first school year in Helena Flats and Great Falls. His second year was spent in Butte and his third was in Great Falls. From there he went to Kalispell until he entered the eighth grade at State School. He graduated from the eighth grade and continued his High School education here excepting for one year in Kalispell. He graduated from the Montana State Industrial School on May 28, 1954.

Age — 19
Height — 5 ft. 8 in.
Weight — 170 lbs.
Sports — letterman in football, basketball, and baseball. Was captain of the football team and co-captain of the basketball team.
Nickname — "Babe"
Special Interests — Music
Special Aptitude — Sports
Favorite Song — Stardust
Ambition — Coach

Hair — Black
Eyes — Hazel Green
Hobby — Cooking
Favorite Author — Gene Schoor
Future Plans — Salesmanship



KENNETH GARDIPEE — Vice President

Kenneth Gardipee was born on Feb. 23, 1934 in Cut Bank, Montana. He spent his first, second, and third grades in Cut Bank, then moved to Glacier Park where he completed his fourth grade. His fifth grade was taken at Great Falls, while his sixth and seventh was taken at the State School. He then graduated from the eighth grade at Cut Bank, Montana. He completed his High School education at the Montana State Industrial school on May 28, 1954.

Age — 19
Height — 6 ft.
Weight — 159
Sports — letterman in football, basketball, and was co captain of the basketball team.
Nickname — "Nibs"
Special Interests — Sports
Special Aptitude — Basketball
Favorite Song — Changing Partners
Favorite Author — Zane Grey
Ambition — Coach
Future Plans — College or Army



GEORGE SHARP — Secretary

George Sharp was born on Aug. 9, 1934, in Polson, Montana. After living in Polson for seven years finishing the first grade he moved to Dixon. There he completed the third grade. Then he moved to St. Ignatius where he completed the fifth grade. From there he moved to Charlo where he finished the seventh grade. He then moved back to Dixon where he graduated from the eighth grade. He completed his high school education on May 28, 1954.

Age — 19
Height — 5 ft. 8 in.
Weight — 150
Sports — letterman in football and basketball.
Nickname — none
Special interest — school
Special aptitude — education
Favorite song — Crying in the Chapel
Favorite Author — Mark Twain
Ambition — Office work
Future Plans — College

Hair — Black
Eyes — Blue
Hobby — Cars

"Home in the West"

To venture again through the forest of green,
And the meadow where often I'd seen,
A beautiful stately pine,
Like a man of Paradise so fine;
A little cabin at the edge,
Over looking a cliff ledge,
To a river below,
'Tis there the Flathead does flow,
That's where I live, that's my home,
Never again from there shall I roam.

This is a creation of God,
The mountains, water and sod,
The purple haze on the mountains,
Add beauty to the falls and water fountains,
While the sun casts its golden rays,
Oh for those beautiful days!
High up there, much time I have spent,
And not a single moment do I resent,
That's where I live, that's my home,
Never again from there shall I roam.

By: George W. Sharp.

SENIOR CLASS OF "54"

By: Loren E. Garding

We, the graduating class of 1954, extend to you a cordial welcome and wish to thank you for your interest in us. For today is a day of great importance, one that will never be forgotten by the members of the Senior Class. Today marks the end of four years of hard work. Today, we have reached another milestone in our journey through life. May it not be the last milestone, for we have many more to pass in order to have success in this world in which we live today.

However, graduation is not the end, but as the word "commencement" signifies, it is the beginning. It marks the beginning of new and wider vistas with their problems and successes which life holds in store for us.

If you have heard it remarked that "young people today have no need to try to build a life, for the world might be destroyed at anytime" do not be misled. Such an attitude is only for the weak and the timid. Since the beginning of time, each generation has had its share of people who think that life holds more evil than good and that life is not worth living. According to their beliefs, the world has always been and always will be plagued with continuous wars and destruction.

It is our hope that we will rise above these common fears and that we will have confidence in the many opportunities that will be ours. Especially, we must have confidence in ourselves--a confidence which will lead us on through the stormy seas of life. Fortified by our convictions, by our ideals, and with our faith in Almighty God, we know we can succeed.

In athletics, we have learned the meaning of true sports-

manship. We have developed our physical and mental abilities. Above all, we have learned how to co-operate with others. That in itself is a great step on our way up the ladder to success.

During our time here, our teachers have helped to develop within each of us a sense of responsibility. That is a valuable asset for each of us, for it contributes to the common good of society of which we are a part. We have had the same opportunities here which the average American boy receives in school. We have had the opportunity to develop our interest and abilities through sports and through our other class room activities.

Few schools on the outside would give their students such a splendid opportunity for a wide variety of work such as we have here. We have had the opportunity at one time or another to work on many different details such as the farm, the dairy, the autoshop, in the kitchen and the laundry. What we have learned here and on other details will be most helpful to us in the future. Every boy here sooner or later will be assigned one or more of these details and he should take advantage of this by learning to do his job and by doing it well. If he can do this, he has accomplished a great deal for himself.

This year which we have spent together, has been most profitable for us. We have learned much, for our opportunities to learn have been numerous. We trust that throughout our entire lives we shall remember the good times as well as the bad. But all in all, as we approach the end of our scholastic year, we know that everything has worked out for the best.

Our years of school have taught us to be faithful, industrious, and honest. As we leave this stage today with the diplomas for which we have worked during these years, let us resolve to be true

to the principles instilled within our minds and hearts by our teachers. Let us show those who have taken a deep interest in our well-being that their work has not been in vain. Let us show them by our work that we can become a credit to our community and a valuable member of society. They have pointed out to us the road to success. It is up to us to follow that road so we may reach our goal.

When we first came to this school, we were somewhat immature. We had been accustomed to think of ourselves as **children**, or at the most, as young lads who got into trouble and were so unlucky as to get caught. So much has been done for us since then, that we can leave considering ourselves more mature than we were when we entered. With what we have learned we can step forward with confidence to take our place in the ranks of society

We, the Seniors, wish to thank all the teachers and the staff for their interest in our progress and the help which they have given us throughout the years. We hope that you may have every cause to long remember this hour of our graduation; for the congratulations which we receive are due directly to you. We sincerely hope that this will be the first step on our way to happiness and success.



Dave Shank

Mr. Shank was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on April 2, 1915. He is a graduate from the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

He came to Miles City in 1948, and before starting to work at the State Industrial School was quite active in civic affairs. His pet "hobby" being the organizing of an inter-city Church Basketball league, in which some 200 young boys participated.

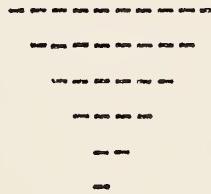
Mr. Shank started working at the State Industrial School on March 16, 1953. When he first came here he was put in charge of Cottage "A" as a cottage parent. Last fall when school started he took over all the typing classes and the school recreation program. He is also the baseball coach this year. There are many things the Senior Class can say for Mr. Shank, but as you know anyone can say words, but showing the man is something else. The Senior Class chose Mr. Shank as their sponsor and we want to thank him for all the things he had done for us to see that we got through the school year as we did. So Mr. Shank, the most we can do is say a great big "Thanks".

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

We the Senior Class wish to express our appreciation to MRS. CLARA WHITNEY for all her help, consideration, and patience in putting out this year's annual.

Her untiring efforts in helping us, correcting our mistakes, and her interest in making this annual a success, when we were indifferent, is greatly appreciated.

So to you, MRS. WHITNEY, we say a great big "Thank You," for we know you will be satisfied that this is the best annual you have ever put out.



The members of the Journalism Class and the Seniors want to express our appreciation to a boy of the school who was in no way connected with the Boys' Messenger or the Annual, but who did much to make each a success.

LARRY ALTON, under good supervision, properly typed the stencils for every edition of the Boys' Messenger and the annual. He also did all the mimeographing.

Larry took pride in his work, and in each edition, and we know without his help we could not have published the paper or Annual in the way it was done.

So we wish to use this means of expressing our appreciation to you, Larry, and wishing you much success in the future.

